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MEMORANDUM FOR THE UNITED STATES INTELLIGENCE BOARD

SUBJECT: Adjustments in National Intelligence Bulletin (NIB) Production Procedures

1. On 4 April 1974 the USIB approved production procedures for the National Intelligence Bulletin (NIB). It was recognized at that time that some adjustments in these procedures might be required with the passage of time.

2. Last month the Intelligence Community Staff held a series of meetings with CIA, DIA, INR and NSA representatives to discuss adjustments to the NIB production procedures proposed by DIA. As a result of these meetings unanimous agreement was reached that:

a. The NIB should increase the amount of military intelligence being provided the national consumer.

It was noted that a significant number of military intelligence items submitted to the NIB Staff were not published. In part, this was ascribed to the judgment of the editors that these items contained more technical or more detailed military information than was desired by the general NIB readership.

It was DIA's view that while the totality of the readership may not have a need for detailed military intelligence articles, the audience for items of this nature -- which is no longer being served by the DIA Intelligence Summary -- is substantial.

In recognition of these points, it was concluded that those items of military intelligence which were clearly of

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interest to the NIB's general readership would continue to appear in the NIB and that DIA would endeavor to increase its supply of articles suitable to NIB general readership. When the content of such articles seems better suited to readers of more specialized interest, the NIB editor may elect to publish them in a separate military supplement (NIB-MS).

b. The principal author(s) of NIB articles and their parent agency(ies) would be identified, if they so desired.

Agreement was reached that, henceforth, the author and agency of origin of NIB articles would be identified by a by-line, if so desired. If two or more agencies and analysts were heavily involved in the production of a single item, this too would be recognized (except in those instances when the number involved was so high as to make individual identification impractical).

3. It is my understanding that the agreements reached in our October meetings were concurred in by the principals of the USIB agencies most directly concerned. Accordingly, we intend to implement these adjustments in the NIB production procedures commencing on Wednesday, 4 December.

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## Summary

This seemingly bland memorandum is the tip of the iceberg. In early October, DIA -- largely as a consequence of the Intsum's demise -- came forward with some strong recommendations concerning military intelligence in the NIB. (e.g. proposals for a separate military section in the NIB, and the appointment of a separate military editor responsible to Director, DIA, not to the NIB editor.)

After considerable dickering and several meetings among CIA, DIA, INR, and NSA representatives (chaired by PRD), we reached the ground described in the attached memorandum. Dick Lehman, who serves as the DCI's executive agent for the NIB, was quite willing to cooperate with DIA (and with us).

We believe that these adjustments to NIB production procedures give DIA more of the visibility it is seeking without damaging the basic concept of the NIB as a product not of a single agency but of the DCI.